



PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0537

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Taizo SHIRAI et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2136
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Application No.: 09/982,624	)	
	)	Examiner: Pramila Parthasarathy
Filed: October 18, 2001	)	
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For: DATA STORAGE WITH CBC-MODE	)	Confirmation No.: 8604
ENCIPHERMENT PROCESSING	)	

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 2, 2006, the period for response to which has been extended through February 2, 2007, by a three month extension of time and fee payment submitted concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.